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Admiral Robert L. Dennison  
Commander-In-Chief, Atlantic  
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Admiral Dennison:

I wish to express my appreciation for the opportunity afforded the Central Intelligence Agency to participate in Exercise QUICK KICK, and for the hospitality and assistance extended to its representatives by the officers and men of the commands to which they were attached.

Joint exercises of this type are of particular value to this Agency in providing a background of experience and an opportunity to test concepts for the support of military contingency operations. We further find that these give us an opportunity to discuss our role and capabilities with officers of the various services, thus permitting more effective planning for CIA support to joint military operations.

We especially desire to acknowledge the excellent support and cooperation accorded our representatives by Vice Admiral J. McN. Taylor, Lieutenant General H. H. Howze, Rear Admiral S. McCain, Jr., Colonel T. E. Williams, and their respective staffs.

I am confident that the lessons learned during Exercise QUICK KICK will benefit our participation in future exercises of this nature.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) Marshall S. Carter

Marshall S. Carter  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Deputy Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Proposed Letter of Appreciation to CINCLANT -  
Exercise QUICK KICK

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for action by the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence as indicated in paragraph 3.

2. Officers of the War Plans Staff and [ ] recently participated in the Joint Field Training Exercise QUICK KICK, held in the North Carolina area and coastal waters from 1 to 11 May 1962. It is desired to express to CINCLANT, under whose command the exercise was held, the Agency's appreciation of the opportunity to participate and for the hospitality accorded its representatives.

3. It is recommended that the attached letter be signed and sent to CINCLANT.

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Richard Helms  
Deputy Director (Plans)

1 Attachment: as stated above

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